

Erwin Union Official Predicts Wage Board May Settle Strike

U.S. Government War Contracts May Cause Move

The United States Government may step in to settle the 24-day-old walkout of some 40,000 cotton and rayon textile workers in eight Southern states, a union official in Erwin predicted today.

J. Thomas West, manager of Local 250, Textile Workers Union of America, said that federal action may be taken in the strike in order to bring compliance with Erwin Cotton Mills, Inc., with federal war contracts.

West added that the new board will have the authority to settle wage disputes. Membership on the board is complete now except for labor representatives. Emil Rieve, president of TWUA, told strikers at Erwin last week he would accept an appointment to the new board if one is proffered by President Truman.

SECOND INJUNCTION ISSUED In other strike developments, Judge Clawson L. Williams drew up a second injunction Tuesday to supersede the injunction brought against the union by the company April 12.

The new injunction differs from the first one in that it requires pickets to come no closer than 25 feet of company gates. The for-

State News Briefs

RALEIGH, April 26—Gov. Kerr Scott was to announce today whether he will intervene to stop the execution of Sampson County Negro John Henry Rogers in the State's gas chamber tomorrow.

Attorneys for the 26-year-old Sampson County farm hand conferred with Paroles Commissioner T. C. Johnson yesterday and later with the governor in an effort to have Rogers' death sentence commuted to life imprisonment.

Rogers was convicted of killing Mrs. L. B. Korney at her Piney Grove store in Sampson County last July 15 while her husband was away on a fishing trip. The woman's badly beaten body was found in a wooded area near the store.

Attorneys James S. Chestnut and Robert C. Wells of Clinton (Continued On Page Four)

Around Capitol Square

By LYNN NISBET RALEIGH CORRESPONDENT

ANNOUNCEMENT?—Some students of political affairs interpret the visit of Governor Kerr Scott to Washington this week as tentative announcement of his candidacy for the United States senate in 1954. Their reasoning is somewhat devious, but not too difficult to follow. Governor Scott went to Washington with a delegation of Young Democrats to arrange for the Democratic presidential nominee next year to come to the Scott farm at Haw River just before the 1952 November election for a speech. Arrangements were sought to be made with William Boyle, national Democratic chairman.

UNUSUAL—The unusual features in this situation which to some extent justify conclusion that Scott is laying foundations for keeping a hand on State Democratic affairs and promoting his own interest are these: Nobody knows now who will be the nominee for president next year, and so any commitment made in behalf of an unknown could not bind him. Furthermore, nobody knows who will be chairman of the National Democratic Committee next year. It may or may not be William Boyle again. The new chairman will be named soon after adjournment of the national convention which will nominate candidates for president and vice president.

PRESUMPTUOUS—Any commitment made now by incumbent (Continued on Page 7)

2,360 Register As Book Is Closed For Election On Monday

City Registrar Joe N. Creel, Jr., reported this morning that a total of 2,360 voters placed their names on the new registration books before the deadline yesterday.

This is a third less than the 3,750 names on the old books, but Registrar Creel pointed out that the old books had been in use for 40 years and hundreds of the names on it were of persons who have died or moved away.

Indications today are that voting will be heavy in Dunn's municipal election on Monday. A full field of candidates have announced for every office.

BULLETIN

Oliver W. Godwin, chairman of Dunn's Citizens Committee for Law Enforcement, announced today that his committee will not endorse or oppose any of the candidates in the current campaign here. He said the committee will take a neutral position. Earlier, Godwin had indicated that the committee would come out for a ticket.

Candidates are campaigning day and night, passing out cards, mailing out literature and doing plenty of pump-handling among the voters.

HANNA TO BROADCAST One of the candidates, Mayor Ralph E. Hanna, today was busy working on a radio address which he will deliver Friday afternoon at 1:05 over Station WCKB. Mayor Hanna's address will be rebroadcast at 5:15 o'clock.

Mayor Hanna did not indicate today what tone his address will take, but merely said he planned to discuss the issues.

The two other candidates for mayor, Herman Neighbors and Earl Vann, said this morning that they had scheduled no radio ad-

Navy Board Probes Plane Crash Which Took 43 Lives

KEY WEST, Fla., April 26—A Navy board of inquiry met today to fix the blame for a "night-marish" collision of a Naval plane and a Cuban airliner in which 43 persons plunged to an ocean death near President Truman's vacation retreat.

The twin-engine Navy plane, with a four-man crew practicing blind flying, and the Cubana Airline's DC-4, with 34 passengers and five crew members, ramed together about noon yesterday over this southernmost tip of the United States. No one survived. Navy rescue workers wearing face masks and foot flippers dived 30 feet to the floor of the Atlantic and brought up 17 bodies before darkness closed in last night. The bodies of two Navy fliers floated to the surface.

Because of the ocean currents, the Navy said the bodies of some of the victims might never be recovered. There were 28 North Americans, including several prominent U. S. citizens, aboard the big silver airliner, operated by a subsidiary of Pan-American Airways. Most were flying from Miami for a holiday weekend in Havana.

The Navy board, headed by Capt. R. S. Quackenbush, Jr., commander of the Naval air station here, began questioning eye-witnesses last night. Hundreds of horrified sunbathers saw the DC-4 plummet into the surf just 1,000 feet off the public beach.

Mrs. Walter A. Simson, who was on the last day of her honeymoon with her husband, a New York advertising salesman, was on the pier fishing when the plane crashed in front of her.

"LIKE CRAZY MOVIE" "It was like some crazy movie, or like one of those terrible nightmares you have when you're a little girl," she said.

Navy officials and civil aeronautics Authority inspectors were unable to determine in the early stages of the investigation why the two planes, as one witness said, "seemed to scrape together."

Capt. Quackenbush said it was not learned whether the Navy crew was flying blind in the Beachcraft at the time of the collision, "but when they do, one of the pilots has clear visual observation at all times."

"We have flight patterns to prevent this sort of thing," he said. Much of the air over this island (Continued On Page Three)

Miss Lois Byrd

Lois Byrd Writes "30" To Job On Capitol Hill

By WADE LUCAS Raleigh Correspondent RALEIGH, April 26—Miss Byrd, the Lillington newspaperwoman who got a leave of absence from The Dunn Daily Record last January to become an information secretary in the office of Governor W. Kerr Scott for the duration of the 1951 General Assembly, today had written "30" to that job.

"30" is the traditional symbol of working newspaper folks to indicate the jobs they were doing had been finished. And Lois Byrd wrote that "30" at 5:30 p.m. yesterday, regular quitting time for State employees.

Lois, daughter of the late Walter P. Byrd of Lillington, longtime Republican leader in Harnett County, has, in the eyes of cynical newsmen covering the office of the always unpredictable Governor Scott, done a fine job at the desk at which she has passed out considerable information that was not (Continued on Page Eight)

Chicago Turns Out To Meet Gen. MacArthur

CHICAGO, April 26—(UP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur flies to the nation's heartland today to be honored by millions of persons during a triumphant two-day visit in Chicago and Milwaukee.

Almost 6,000,000 persons were expected to see the general, either in person or on television, during his tours of the two cities. Thousands traveled to the two towns by special train and bus from nearby states to participate in the celebrations.

Chicago, the nation's second largest city, surrendered itself completely to give the general one of the lustiest receptions in its history. Big factories shut down. Loop stores closed. Schools were let out.

Upwards of 3,000,000 lined the 23-mile route from the airport, where MacArthur's plane will land at 12:30 P. M. CST (1:30 P. M. EST), through the south side, north over the Outer Drive, and then through the downtown area.

Many took up stations on the curbstones early in the day to be sure of a good view of the general, his pretty dark-haired wife, and their son.

VISIT MILWAUKEE FRIDAY Milwaukee, which MacArthur lists as his legal residence, was prepared to give him a hero's welcome home tomorrow.

MacArthur's automobile trip over the 90-mile route from Chicago to Milwaukee tomorrow morning will rival the celebrations accorded returning conquerors who rode their chariots along the Appian Way to ancient Rome.

Almost every town along historic Sheridan Road planned to turn out in force as he passed. Troops and contingents of sailors will line up for the general's inspection at Fort Sheridan and the Great Lakes Naval Station.

Chicago's reception for the Mac- (Continued On Page Three)

Investigation Of 'Hollywood 10' Continues

WASHINGTON, April 26—(UP)—House Un-American Activities Committee members hoped today that at long last they were getting real "talkies" from the motion picture industry.

Film Director Edward Dmytryk, one of the silent "Hollywood 10" who went to jail for not talking in 1947, broke the ice yesterday by speaking freely of communism in the film capital and naming names.

Dmytryk admitted being a communist in 1944 and 1945 but said he is now convinced the Communist Party is guilty of treason and should be outlawed. He named 28 other movie figures as past or present communists.

Committee Chairman John S. Wood, D. Ga., said some of the others of the Hollywood 10 may also break the silence they maintained in the committee's 1947 hollywood investigation.

ELSEWHERE IN CONGRESS MacArthur—Senate Republicans challenged Democratic plans to conduct the investigation of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's dismissal in secret. They demanded a "back to Yalta" review of Far Eastern policy at public hearings. Sen. Robert A. Taft, O., Republican policy leader, led the GOP demand for public hearings that could be televised. Sen. Richard (Continued On Page Four)

Ministers' Meet At Falcon Ends Friday The eighth annual Ministers' Institute, staged at Falcon by the North Carolina Conference of the Pentecostal Holiness Church, is scheduled to be closed out Friday following an 11 a.m. session.

The conference is a combined meeting of ministers from the North Carolina and the Western North Carolina conferences, according to the Rev. W. Eddie Morris of Goldsboro, superintendent of the North Carolina Conference, who is in charge of the meeting. The institute opened at Falcon Monday. The Rev. Mr. Morris pointed out that this is the first joint meeting of the two conferences.

Classes are held each morning at (Continued On Page Three)

MACARTHUR STORY Was MacArthur right, or was he wrong? Was Truman within his rights in firing the supreme allied commander in the Pacific area? Whatever your own convictions on the question may be, the latest documentary film on the career of the famed five-star general may help clarify your opinions. The story of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's life is now being shown at the Stewart Theater.

Allies Stem Red Thrust Above Seoul, Mount Counterattack



AUTO DEALERS PLAN SILVER DOLLAR EVENT—The weight of the automobile industry, one of the biggest businesses in Harnett as well as the whole nation, is going to be felt very effectively this weekend when automobile dealers of the county pay off their employees in those hard-and-hard-to-get silver dollars. Some of the leaders of the industry are shown here with 15,000—that's right, 15,000—of the cartwheels piled before them at The Commercial Bank. Left to right are: Dewey Whittenton, director of the Harnett Automobile Dealers' Association; Henry H. Sandlin, president of the county organization; J. N. Stephenson, cashier of The Commercial Bank, which secured the hard dollars for the group; and T. Brown Williams. So when you get a silver dollar in change this week end, you can thank the automobile dealers of Harnett County. (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart.)

Train Hits Log Truck, Kills One

RAOAHKE RAPIDS, April 26—A speeding Seaboard Air Line freight train smashed into a log truck at a crossing near here last night, killing John Pike, about 30, an seriously injuring L. E. Wright, about 50.

Sheriff H. A. House said both men were from near Littleton. Engineer N. C. Howell of Raleigh said his diesel-powered train was running 50 miles per hour when he saw a soft drink truck approaching the crossing followed by the six-wheel log truck. He turned to answer a question from Fireman George S. Schultz of Raleigh, Howell said, and when he looked back the soft drink truck had crossed the railroad and the log truck had its front wheels on the track.

Howell said he was then only 50 to 75 yards from the crossing and there was no time to stop. The train ripped through the cab of the truck.

Sheriff House said he thought an inquest unnecessary but that Coroner Rufus Britton would decide after investigating the accident.

Picket Freed Of Assault Charge Judge Floyd H. Taylor Wed. acquitted an Erwin picket on charges of assault in the first case growing out of the strike now underway at Erwin Mills.

Mrs. Joyce Stewart had charged Prentiss Farmer of assaulting her as she started through the picket line.

She accused Farmer of kicking her on the leg and shoving her up against the gate. She said he also grabbed her husband around the neck and waist.

Mrs. Stewart said a union representative who was touring the area with a loudspeaker in his automobile told her to let Farmer and her husband "fight it out."

She denied on cross-examination by Attorney Nell McK. Salmon that she opened a knife or that she cursed or threatened the defendant.

Stewart took the stand and co- (Continued On Page Four)

Give A Calf Enough Rope... HALIFAX, April 26—(UP)—After a year and a half of good behavior in Halifax County Jail, Negro Trusty Robert Boone came and went almost as he pleased. In another three weeks he would have finished his sentence for stealing chickens.

But Halifax Sheriff H. A. House placed a new charge against him today and said Boone had extended his privileges a little too far. The sheriff charged that Boone broke into the court house and helped himself to a gallon of whiskey from the room in which officers stored confiscated booze.

Cartwheel Flood To Hit Harnett County

Harnett County will be flooded with those big, heavy, hard-to-get silver dollars this weekend.

Henry H. Sandlin, president of the Harnett County Automobile Dealers Association, announced today that the 14 member-dealers of the association will pay off all their employees this weekend in silver dollars.

The purpose, of course, is to impress upon citizens of the county just what an important part the automobile industry plays in the economy of the county.

Secretary-Treasurer Paul L. Strickland pointed out today that the annual payroll of just these 14 dealers totals more than a half million dollars a year.

And this figure doesn't include allied industries and businesses—such as filling stations, auto parts concern, vulcanizing companies and other associated businesses.

PROPOSED BY WESTBROOK The idea for the Silver Dollar Weekend was proposed by Earl McD. Westbrook, area director of the State organization, at the first meeting of the dealers held here earlier this month and was enthusiastically adopted.

The Commercial Bank has given its full cooperation to the event. President Lofton A. Tart made a special trip to Raleigh and loaded down his Cadillac with the 15,000 cartwheels, obtained through the Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond.

Guy Stewart of Coats is vice president of the Harnett Automobile Dealers' Association. (Continued On Page Five)

TALENT HUNT TO END The climax of the 16-week Sunday radio programs in The Exchange Club of Clinton's Talent Hunt, seeking out hidden talents in the community, will come when the big final show will be held at the Clinton High School auditorium Friday night. Some 33 contestants from Fayetteville, Clinton, Ga., Ingold, Newton Grove, Autryville, Stedman, Faison, Warsaw, Magnolia, Ivanhoe will vie for the prize of \$25 cash and many gifts from local merchants. The proceeds will go to the Crippled Children fund of the Exchange Club.

He worked formerly with the Bureau of Internal Revenue and will specialize in tax matters. Mrs. Hazel Young, wife of the senator, will remain in the law business with her husband.

BULLETINS

WASHINGTON, April 26—The Post Office Department told Congress today that eight Mississippi postal officials have been "separated" and 40 others face formal charges as a result of the Mississippi job-selling investigation.

PUSAN, Korea, April 26—(UP)—Charges of barbarism, corruption and inefficiency in the South Korean Army led to the resignation of two more cabinet ministers today.

WASHINGTON, April 26—(UP)—President Truman today restated in behalf of this country the hope that the conflict in Korea could be limited as far as possible.

Main UN Force Falls Back To New Positions

TOKYO, April 26—(UP)—United Nations forces stemmed rampaging Red armies 17 miles northwest of Seoul today and counter-attacked two miles into the enemy bulge northeast of the former capital.

Both actions were in the nature of delaying operations, however, while the main 8th Army forces fell back to new defense positions under attack by 500,000 Chinese and North Korean Reds.

An 8th Army spokesman admitted that the situation due north of Seoul was "obscure," but said the communists still were about 20 miles from the city there.

Civilians streamed out of ruined Seoul in the obvious belief that the old capital was about to change hands for the fifth time in the 10-month-old Korean War.

REDS IGNORE BOMBARDMENT Red troops swarmed south across the hills and valleys like so many locusts in apparent disdain of the murderous Allied aerial and artillery bombardment that has killed or wounded more than 35,000 Reds in the five-day-old communist offensive.

Haze and the smoke of battle partly blocked out the front from the air today, but U. S. planes claimed at least 450 additional communist casualties to mid-day today.

Allied guns joined the slaughter with 1,000 shells an hour. Communist MIG-15 jet fighter planes made their closest approach to the battlefield today, but were intercepted over the Kunu area. (Continued on Page 7)

Czechs Hold AP Correspondent On Three Charges

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, April 26—(UP)—Associated Press Correspondent William N. Oatis has been arrested on charges of activities hostile to the state, the communist government disclosed today.

Dr. Bedrich Runge, assistant chief of the foreign press section of the Czech Foreign Ministry, notified the U. S. embassy of Oatis' arrest. The 37-year-old American, a native of Marion, Ind., has been missing since late Monday.

Runge told Tyler Thompson, counselor of the embassy, by telephone that Oatis had been arrested on three charges:

- 1. "Activities hostile to the Czech state."
- 2. "Gathering and disseminating information considered secret by the Czech government."
- 3. "Spreading malicious information."

Strikers Ask For Cease Fire Order

WAKE Forest, April 26—(UP)—Striking Royal Cotton Mill workers circulated petitions for a "cease fire" order today amid charges and denials that non-striking workers openly carried weapons through picket lines.

A petition signed by some 400 textile union members and other local citizens proposed a company-union agreement for peaceful contract negotiations without further outbursts of the violence that has flashed through three weeks of the strike here.

The petitions charged that "non-striking employees openly carry shotguns and rifles through the picket lines." But Police Chief Floyd Whitman disputed the statement.

"I have been at the mill very time the shift has changed and I know that's not true," Whitman said. The petition also said that a bus (Continued On Page Six)

Record Gets New Advertising Man

A new name was added to The Daily Record's staff a week ago when Harold Cannon of Chapel Hill went to work in the advertising department.

Cannon, who came to Dunn from Mount Olive, where he was advertising manager of the Mount Olive Tribune, is now assistant to John Glendon, The Record's advertising manager.

A graduate of the University of North Carolina, class of 1947, (Continued On Page Seven)